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T4 DNA Ligase, Cloned

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T4 DNA Ligase is the most versatile and commonly used ligase for DNA cloning. This ATP-dependent enzyme covalently joins 5'-phosphates to 3'-hydroxylated termini at the blunt or compatible cohesive ends of double-stranded DNA fragments produced by restriction enzyme digestion or other enzymatic processes. 1,2 T4 DNA Ligase has no activity on single-stranded nucleic acids. Following a ligation reaction, T4 DNA Ligase may be inactivated by incubation at 65°C for 10 minutes.

EPICENTRE offers T4 DNA Ligase at both standard (2 $U/\mu I$) and high (10 $U/\mu I$) concentrations. High concentration T4 DNA Ligase is useful for obtaining maximum efficiency in blunt-end ligations. T4 DNA Ligase is supplied with a 10X Reaction Buffer and a 25 mM ATP Solution.

Applications

- Ligation of blunt or cohesive-ended DNA fragments (Figure 1).
- Repair of nicks in double-stranded nucleic acids.³



Figure 1. Ligation activity of EPICENTRE's T4 DNA Ligase. T4 DNA Ligase at 10 U/µl was diluted sequentially in 10-fold increments. One microliter of each dilution of T4 DNA Ligase was incubated with Hind III-cut lambda DNA at 16° C in 1X Reaction Buffer containing ATP. Lane 1, kb ladder; Lane 2, no enzyme; Lane 3, 1 U/µl; Lane 4, 0.1 U/µl; Lane 5, 0.01 U/µl; Lane 6, 0.001 U/µl; Lane 7, 0.0001 U/µl; Lane 8, 0.00001 U/µl. Note that full enzyme activity is seen down to one one-thousandth unit; enzyme activity is still apparent even at one ten-thousandth unit.

Unit Definition: One Weiss unit of T4 DNA Ligase converts 1 nmole of ³²P from pyrophosphate into Norit-adsorbable material in 2 minutes at 37°C in 33 mM Tris-acetate (pH 7.8), 66 mM potassium acetate, 10 mM magnesium acetate, 0.5 mM DTT, and 1 mM ATP.⁴ One Weiss unit equals approximately 100 cohesive-end ligation units.

Storage Buffer: 50% glycerol containing 50 mM Tris-HCI (pH 7.5), 0.1 M NaCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.1% Triton X-100, and 1 mM DTT

T4 DNA Ligase 10X Reaction Buffer: 330 mM Tris-acetate (pH 7.8), 660 mM potassium acetate, 100 mM magnesium acetate, and 5 mM DTT. The Reaction Buffer does not contain ATP, which must be added to the reaction to a final concentration of 0.5 - 1.0 mM. A 25 mM solution of ATP is included.

Quality Control: T4 DNA Ligase is functionally tested in cloning assays and is free of detectable contaminating DNA exo- and endonuclease and RNase activities.

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Catalog No.	Concentration	Size	
T4 DNA Ligase, Cloned			
L0805H	2 Ս/µl	500 U	
L0810H	2 Ս/µl	1,000 U	
L0820H	2 U/µl	2,000 U	
LH805H	10 Ս/μΙ	500 U	
LH810H	10 U/µl	1,000 U	
LH820H	10 U/μΙ	2,000 U	

Includes 10X Reaction Buffer and a separate 25 mM ATP Solution.

T4 DNA Ligase is also available in bulk. Please inquire.

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